

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 40 were pending when last examined. Claims 1 – 40 were rejected. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6 – 10, 21, 23, 25, 27, 28, and 36 are being amended. Claims 37 and 38 are being canceled. Claims 1 – 36 and 39 – 40 remain pending. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §102

In section 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 – 3, 7, 23 – 25, 27 – 28, 31 – 33, and 35 – 40 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,961,587 to Vilppula et al. Applicant traverses.

Claim 1 is patentable over Vilppula et al, by at least reciting:

A modular wireless device comprising:
a shell that contains non-wireless components, at least one of which is system software; and
a cartridge that contains wireless components, at least one of which is ~~proteect~~
~~stack software~~ comes from the set of baseband and RF; and
a means for the shell and cartridge to exchange configuration information; and
a means for the modular wireless device to configure its operation based on said configuration information.

Claim 1 is being amended to specify that the wireless components includes baseband and/or RF and the corresponding limitations from claim 3 are being deleted. As such, Vilppula et al. does not anticipate claim 1 as Vilppula et al. does not teach using baseband or RF in a cartridge. Instead, Vilppula et al. at column 5, lines 51 – 67 cited by the Examiner, teaches that the SIM card (e.g., cartridge) can have an electronic money application, not baseband or RF components. The software and services 26 referenced are “in the mobile terminal 10 itself rather than on the SIM card 24.” (Column 5, lines 27 – 28). Therefore, Applicant requests withdrawal of the rejections. As claim 1 is allowable, its dependent claims should be allowable also at least by virtue of their dependency. Claims 37 and 38 are canceled and therefore the rejection of these claims is now moot.

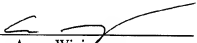
Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. §103

In sections 3 – 12 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 4 – 6, 8 – 22, 26, 29, 30, and 34. Applicant submits that these claims are patentable at least by virtue of their dependency to allowable claims. As such, Applicant request withdrawal of the rejections.

If the Examiner has any questions or needs any additional information, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

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